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TERRORIST ATTACK IN **ARGENTINA**

BUSINESS DAILY EL CRONISTA ON ITS FRONT PAGE, UNDER THE HEADLINE "**ARGENTINA** IN DANGER," BELIEVES THAT FOREIGN MINISTER DI TELLA MUST SPEAK BEFORE THE U.S. CONGRESSIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE ABOUT THE BOMBING: "IN U.S. OPINION, **ARGENTINA** IS STILL PAYING THE PRICE FOR NEUTRALITY IN 1942. FURTHERMORE, IT GAVE REFUGE TO **NAZIS**. FOR THAT REASON, THE ATTACK OF MONDAY IS DOUBLY SERIOUS: FOR ITS SCOPE OF MORE THAN 100 DEAD OR INJURED, AND BECAUSE THE HISTORY OF **ARGENTINA** GIVES THIS TRAGEDY A HIGHER RESONANCE....DI TELLA MUST GO TO WASHINGTON AND EXPLAIN. THERE IS NO SHAME IN THIS, ONLY UNDERSTANDING OF THE

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REALITIES OF WORLD POWER AND NATIONAL INTERESTS."

EDGARDO SILBERKASTEN, UNDER THE HEADLINE "CLARIFICATION IS THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID LOSING CREDIBILITY," SECONDS THE FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL IN BUSINESS DAILY EL CRONISTA: "THE  
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REQUEST FOR HELP FROM WORLDWIDE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES CAN BE SEEN AS GENUFLECTING BEFORE THE U.S., BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY TO FIND THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BOMBING."

DANIEL DELLA COSTA, FOR BUSINESS DAILY EL CRONISTA, ALSO WRITES OF THE NAZI PAST UNDER THE HEADLINE "ANTI-SEMITISM" THAT "...WHAT HAS RETURNED TO HAUNT US IN THE NAZI GHOST IN ARGENTINA. WITH THE POSSIBILITY THAT THERE WAS INTERNAL HELP, MEMORIES HAVE RETURNED OF PRO-NAZI MILITARY LEADERS DURING WORLD WAR II....THERE ARE A LARGE AMOUNT OF ADVERSE PRECEDENTS THAT CAN'T BE NEUTRALIZED BY THE SINCERITY OF ARGENTINES SINCE LAST MONDAY. WE MUST FIND THOSE GUILTY...BECAUSE THE SUSPICION OF ANTI-SEMITISM NOT ONLY COMPROMISES THE PRESTIGE OF THE COUNTRY, IT DRIVES AWAY INVESTORS."

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE DAILY BUENOS AIRES HERALD, UNDER THE HEADLINE "FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS," STATES THAT "DESPITE LONG-STANDING AND MOUNTING SUSPICION THAT AT LEAST TWO COUNTRIES WHO ENJOY FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH ARGENTINA -- IRAN AND SYRIA -- ARE BEHIND THIS TERRORIST ATROCITY, THE GOVERNMENT HAS SCRUPULOUSLY AVOIDED TAKING ANY MEANINGFUL ACTION.....UNLESS SUCH A BLIND APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL POLITICS IS RAPIDLY REVERSED, WE ARE LIKELY TO SEE THE CYCLE GO FULL SWING YET AGAIN WHEN A NEW ATTACK ON ANOTHER 'SOFT TOUCH' TARGET IN THIS COUNTRY IS CARRIED OUT. ARGENTINA NOT ONLY LACKS A FIRST WORLD SECURITY APPARATUS TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM BUT ALSO ANY BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE REALITIES OF WORLD POLITICS TODAY."

HUMAN RIGHTS

REFERRING TO AI'S ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT, CONSERVATIVE DAILY LA PRENSA CRITICIZES THE U.S. FOR HAVING THE DEATH PENALTY UNDER THE HEADLINE "A WORLD OF BLAME": "IT IS A SAD IRONY AND THE U.S., SAUDI ARABIA AND CHINA ARE ON EQUAL FOOT REGARDING LEGAL EXECUTIONS. IN ONE CASE THE LAW OF KORAN JUSTIFIES DECAPITATION AND IN THE CASE OF CHINA, IT'S NOT SURPRISING A MARXIST GOVERNMENT HAS THE RIGHT TO DICTATE DEATH. BUT IT IS DISQUIETING THAT THE BASTION OF DEMOCRACY, THE U.S., HAS IN ITS LAWS THE MOST SERIOUS PENALTY CONCEIVABLE, CAPITAL PUNISHMENT." URIBE

ADMIN  
END OF MESSAGE

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